GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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CEMENT PLANTS FACTORIES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Cement Plants/Factories functioning in the country, State-wise;

(b) the present average production capacity of these Plants/Factories;

(c) the number of plants/factories out of these have been closed and those who are on the verge of closure alongwith the reasons for closure of those plants; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government for revival of such plants/factories?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH)

(a)&(b): There are 113 large cement plants functioning in the country. The details of average production capacity of these plants is Annexed.

(c): Fifteen large cement plants are reported closed/not working due to various reasons such as technological obsolescence and economic non-viability. Information in respect of plants which are on the verge of closure is not being maintained centrally.

(d): The Government has taken a number of steps for revival of sick industrial units including those reported on the verge of closure. These, inter-alia, include guidelines of Reserve Bank of India to Banks, amalgamation of sick units with healthy units and setting up of Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) under Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act.